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## The Book of the Deaf

Of all the beautiful fancies  
That cluster about the year,  
Tiptoeing over the threshold  
When the earlier dawn is here.

The best is the simple legend  
Of a book for you and me;  
So fair that our guardian angels  
Desire its lines to see.

It is full of the brightest pictures,  
Of dream and story and rhyme,  
And the whole wide world together  
Turns only a page at a time.

Some of the leaves are dazzling  
With the feathery flakes of the snow:  
Some of them thrill to the music  
Of the merriest winds that blow.

Some of them keep the secrets  
That made the roses sweet;  
Some of them away and rustle  
With the golden heads of wheat.

I cannot begin to tell you  
Of the lovely things to be  
In the wonderful year-book waiting,  
A gift for you and for me.

A thought most strange and solemn  
Is borne upon my mind,  
On every page a column  
For ourselves we'll surely find.

Write what we may upon it,  
The records there will stay  
Till the books of time are opened  
In the Court of the Judgment Day.

And should we not be careful  
Lest the words our fingers write  
Shall rise to shame our faces,  
When we stand in the dear Lord's sight?

And should we not remember  
To dread no thought of blame,  
If we sign each page that we finish  
With faith in the dear Lord's name?  
—Margaret E. Sangster.

## Grandfather's Gift

### A NEW YEAR'S STORY

The last night of the old year  
Jessie sat on her grandfather's knee,  
with her curly head resting on his  
shoulder and her chubby hands  
swinging her grandfather's watch  
gently backward and forward.

"What are you going to give me  
tomorrow, grandpa?"

"Give you tomorrow? Kisses,  
of course," said grandpa.

"No, I mean what are you going  
to give me for a New Year's gift?"

"Such a big New Year's gift  
ought to be contented with itself,"  
said grandfather. "I sha'n't need  
to give you anything."

"Oh, yes, you will!" and Jessie  
let the watch slide into her grand-  
father's pocket and framing his face  
in her little hands, looked  
reproachfully and entreatingly in his  
face.

"Must I?" asked grandfather, re-  
garding that same little face with  
very kind eyes.

"Yes, you must," said Jessie  
imperiously.

"What shall I give you then?"  
he asked.

Jessie thought a moment.

"A pocket full of money."

"A pocket full of money? What  
could you do with a pocket full of  
money?"

"Walk out," said Jessie.

"And lose it all."

"No, grandpa, of course not;  
give it away."

"Oh-h!" said grandfather, "that's  
the idea."

"Yes," said Jessie. "Last New  
Year's I met ever so many poor little  
girls and boys that said: 'Please  
give me a penny!'" and Jessie said  
the words thickly and fast, as she  
remembered to have heard them,  
"and it went to my heart, grand-  
father, to pass them by dressed in  
my ermine cloak and velvet hat."

Grandfather's smiling eyes grew  
serious.

"Supposing, Jessie," he said, "I  
should fill your pocket with the  
money which I intend to buy a pony  
with next summer, do you think  
you would be willing to go without  
the pony when summer comes?"

"Oh, yes, grandpa," said Jessie,  
eagerly, "I am sure I should, and  
that would be lots of money, wouldn't it?"

"I should only put part in your  
pocket and the rest in the bank for  
mamma to help you spend."

"Spend? For poor little girls and  
boys?"

"Yes, dear."

"You're a beautiful grandpa!"

Grandfather did not say anything,  
but he thought in his heart that  
Jessie was a New Year's gift invaluable.

"Did you hear the child?" he  
asked of Jessie's mother, after Jessie  
had gone to bed.

"Why, yes," said Jessie's mother.  
"It is no more than she ought to  
do. I should be sorry if she did not  
think of others, with all the comforts  
that she has."

That same night another little  
girl of Jessie's age lay weeping  
silently in the corner of a desolate  
room where feeble fire burned in a  
broken grate, and every other sign  
of poverty prevailed.

Upon a narrow bedstead lay the  
little girl's mother, too sick to rise,  
sleeping now, after a day of weary  
pain.

Presently there came a knock out-  
side the door, at the sound of which  
the little girl rose, and, brushing the  
tears from her eyes, went softly and  
opened the door.

"Rob!" she exclaimed gladly, "is  
that you?"

"Yes, Agnes; but it's no use—"

"Hush-h!" said Agnes, shutting  
the door very gently and drawing  
her brother into the adjoining room.

"Oh, Rob, you don't mean they  
didn't want you?"

"Yes, I do; and we may as well  
die and be done with it. Never  
mind, Aggie, don't cry!"—noticing  
his sister's distress. "Perhaps  
something will turn up."

And striving to comfort his sister,  
Rob almost deceived himself as to the  
hopelessness of things.

"People are always kinder at New  
Year's. I may get a job somewhere,  
as long as the Sharpleys don't want  
me. They didn't pay me well, as it  
was, and if it hadn't been for mother  
being sick—"

"They've got so much money,  
"sobbed Agnes. "Oh, I know  
if I was a rich man I'd look out for  
poor people."

"I think I should, too," said Rob.

"At least I wouldn't cheat them  
out of what really did belong to them."

A faint call from the sickroom  
reached Agnes' ear, and both she  
and her brother hastened to the bed-  
side of their mother, where they re-  
mained most of the night, sleeping  
and watching by turns, hoping that  
the morning would find her better,  
yet fearing it would find her worse.

Rob had wished to call a physician,  
but as there was nothing to pay one  
with, and no immediate prospect of  
any means to do so, he had not gone;  
but in the morning he started out  
for that purpose, and Agnes, cheer-  
ing the fire into its warmest blaze,  
sought to keep up a brave heart,  
while the patient invalid lay as  
silent and uncomplaining as it was  
possible for her, suffering and weak  
as she was.

The hours stole slowly by towards  
noon, and Rob did not return,  
neither did the physician appear,  
and little Agnes at last decided to go  
for the latter, while with an anxious  
heart she wondered where her brother  
could be.

As she hurried along the street, so  
intent upon her purpose, eager only  
to get a physician, and hasten back to  
her mother, she stumbled awkwardly  
against a little girl who was walk-  
ing with one hand in her grandfath-  
er's and one hand in her pocket.

"Oh," exclaimed Jessie, as she put  
her jaunty hat back into its proper  
place, and regarded the frightened  
Agnes. "Oh, did I hurt you, little  
girl?"

"Oh, no," said Agnes; "I was  
afraid I hurt you, I'm very  
sorry—I wasn't looking," and she  
was hastening on, when Jessie caught  
hold of her shawl, which felt very  
thin, and drew her back.

"I want to wish you a happy  
New Year," she said, "and give  
you something to buy you a new  
shawl." And she eagerly pressed a  
handful of coin into Agnes' hand.

"Do you mean to give this all to  
me?" asked Agnes, bewildered.

"Oh, yes," said Jessie, "more,  
too, if you want it. That's my New  
Year's gift, isn't it, grandpa?"

"It will more than pay Dr. West-  
tan," said Agnes, speaking to her-  
self as she eagerly counted the  
money. "Oh how kind of you!  
The money'll make my mother better  
just in itself."

"Is your mother sick?" asked  
Jessie, compassionately.

"Yes," answered Agnes, her eyes  
filling with tears; "and I must not  
stop to talk, although I thank you so  
very much."

"Just a moment longer!" said Jes-  
sie's grandfather. "Where do you  
live? We may be able to be of use  
to your mother. Dr. Westtan and I

are friends. Does he think your  
mother so very sick?"

"He hasn't seen her yet," faltered  
Agnes; "we did not like to call him  
until we had to, as we were afraid  
we could not pay him; but now—  
now I must hurry, for mother is  
alone."

"Go back to her," said Jessie's  
grandfather, "I will go for Dr.  
Westtan myself."

"Oh, thank you!" said Agnes,  
"then he will be sure to come."

"Yes, and we'll come back with  
him," said Jessie, shouting after her  
as she hastened away. "Let us  
hurry, grandpa. I hope Dr. West-  
tan will be at home."

They found him just returning and  
making preparations to call on the  
sick woman, as Rob had left word  
for him to do in the morning.

He took Jessie and her grand-  
father with him in his chaise and in  
a few minutes they stopped before  
the shabby habitation which Agnes  
was just entering.

She uttered a glad exclamation at  
beholding them, and showed the doc-  
tor at once to her mother's bedside.

"I am glad," he said to Jessie's  
grandfather after prescribing for his  
patient, "I leave you here, for here  
you will have an opportunity to  
exercise the charity for which you  
have acquired a reputation. These  
are worthy people and your kindness  
will not be lost upon them."

Meanwhile, Jessie had been ex-  
plaining to Agnes about her pocket-  
ful of money, and Agnes had been  
telling her of other little boys and  
girls, who she supposed, would be  
as glad of the money as she had been.

"Oh, I hope Rob will come soon,"  
she said, "everything is so nice.  
Rob said people would be kinder to-  
day, because it is New Year's, and  
he was right."

"Is Rob your brother?" asked  
Jessie.

"Yes," and Agnes drew such  
a glowing picture of him that  
Jessie wanted to wait and see him,  
but grandfather warned her that  
their dinner hour was near at hand  
and that they must be going.

"You will hear from us again,"  
he said to Agnes, while Jessie in-  
sisted upon putting more money in-  
to her hand.

"For Rob," she said, laughing.

Doctor Westtan remained a while  
longer, as he was in truth more  
anxious about his patient than he  
really cared to show.

She was, however, sleeping quiet-  
ly, when, with a few kind words to  
Agnes, he withdrew.

"I need not be quite so afraid to  
put this last shovelful of coal on,"  
said she meditatively, as she re-  
newed the fire, and settled herself to  
count her money and consider what  
of all their needs it should buy for  
them.

While thus occupied she fell asleep.  
Jessie was eating her New Year's  
dinner and between the mouthfuls,  
recounting the adventures of the  
morning.

"You'll go there, mamma, won't  
you?"

"Certainly, my dear, this very  
afternoon."

"And, mamma, I shall give put in  
all the money I was going to give  
in the bank, shall I not?"

"We will consider it, my dear.  
We will learn first what their needs  
are."

"Most everything, I should think,  
shouldn't you, grandpa?"

"Pretty nearly, from what I saw  
and from what Dr. Westtan tells  
me."

"Oh, mamma, why didn't I think  
to ask you to send that little girl a  
dinner?" "I thought of it," said  
grandfather, "and your mother has  
sent it."

So when Agnes woke with a start  
from her sleep it was to find by her  
side a basket of provisions which  
some one had left there.

"Mother," she said softly; but  
her mother was still sleeping. "I  
ought to have locked the door," said  
Agnes, "but I did not think of going  
to sleep. That dear little girl must  
have sent this. I will put it by un-  
til Rob comes, and then mother  
could eat some of it."

Jessie was much displeased when,  
later in the afternoon, she and her  
mother made their proposed visit, to  
find that the dinner was untouched.

"Didn't eat even a piece of pie?"  
she asked.

Agnes shook her head.

"Then you must eat it now," said

Jessie, "for mother is going to send  
you as many pies as you want, and  
everything else."

Which was, Agnes thought, quite  
true, when that night the narrow  
bedstead had given way to a more  
commodious one, and the scanty bed-  
clothes were replaced by warm, soft  
blankets and a downy spread.

Every comfort that the invalid  
could desire was placed at her dis-  
posal, with the promise of the con-  
stant attention of Dr. Westtan until  
health should return to her.

A happy New Year it proved in  
this home from the first day until  
the end.

With hope and comfort, health  
and happiness returned, for that  
night when Rob came back to find  
the joyous change the day had  
wrought, he had his own happy  
story to add to the general rejoicing.

He had aided a lady to cross a  
crowded street, and picked her  
little boy out almost from under  
the horse's hoofs, and she, in turn  
had taken him home with her, and  
recommended him to one of her  
gentlemen boarders who had need of  
a boy in his business, and who at  
once engaged Rob, and as he was  
only too willing to begin his labors  
then and there, had kept him busy  
till night; for before his father died  
Rob had been kept at school.

"A happy New Year," said  
Agnes, as she and Rob watched the  
smile on their mother's pale face that  
night as she lay sleeping.

"A happy New Year," said  
Jessie, with her curly head nestled  
under her grandfather's chin. "It  
was a good present you gave me,  
grandpa wasn't it?"

"It was a very wise little brain  
that thought of it," said grand-  
father. "But wait till the summer  
comes with no pony, then see."

"Grandpa!" and Jessie's re-  
proachful eyes quite silenced him.  
—M. A. Alden, in New York  
Weekly.

The Reply Which the "Hartford  
(Ct.) Courant" Saw Fit to Sup-  
press.

To the Editor of the Courant:—  
Allow me to congratulate you on  
your editorial of November 17th, on  
"Dulled Ears," not because of your  
commendation of the stand of Com-  
missioner of Motor Vehicles Dill of  
New Jersey in refusing to grant  
drivers' licenses to the deaf, but  
because of the opportunity that  
editorial affords me to point out the  
fallacies of your arguments.

On account of the widespread  
misapprehension on the part of the  
public regarding the ability of the  
deaf to drive cars carefully and  
safely, I deem it advisable to write  
out a sort of catechism in order to  
rivet the attention of the public the  
better, "Q" representing the ques-  
tion or opinions of a typical hearing  
person and "A" representing my  
answers or counter questions.

Q. Well, what do you think of  
that Courant editorial on "Dulled  
Ears?"

A. I am in hearty sympathy with  
the broader idea of the editorial—to  
make the streets and highways safer  
alike for the motorist and the public;  
but I am just as heartily out of sym-  
pathy with its snap judgment that  
the driving of cars by the deaf is a  
menace to the safety of the streets  
and highways.

Q. The man who wrote that edi-  
torial must know what he was  
writing about, or it would not have  
appeared in the paper.

A. Of course, the paper is exer-  
cising the prerogatives of a free  
press. That is obvious. And it is  
equally as obvious that the exercise  
of such prerogatives is not neces-  
sarily the exercise of sound think-  
ing and reasoning.

Q. I don't get you—what do you  
exactly mean?

A. The hearing public have al-  
ways had and continue to have that  
curious, persistent, inability to dis-  
tinguish between the fact of deaf-  
ness and the effect of such deafness  
in concrete cases. They jump from  
the fact that a person is deaf basti-  
ly to the conclusion that he cannot  
do this or that thing. The deaf  
are self supporting, law-abiding,  
loyal to the Constitution and the  
flag of our country; they vote, pay  
taxes, marry, and raise families.  
Years and years ago, the public  
would think the deaf were bound to  
be public charges on account of  
their deafness. But it is not so, for

the public have been educated to  
that extent. Yet they continue to  
have wrong ideas about the deaf in  
certain respects. That is why the  
National Association of the Deaf  
was organized years ago—to educate  
the public regarding the exact  
status of the deaf in society. Take  
the case of the deaf impostor evil.  
The National Association of the  
Deaf has been waging war against  
the evil, not only because of that  
evil, *per se*, but also because of the  
tendency of the public to generalize  
from the sight of a few deaf impos-  
tors that most of the deaf are like  
them. The real deaf never beg.

Now take the matter of insur-  
ance. The National Fraternal So-  
ciety for the Deaf was organized  
years ago, primarily because life in-  
surance companies mistakenly  
thought that the deaf were not a  
good risk. The history of the Na-  
tional Fraternal Society for the  
Deaf has proven the opposite. It  
has about one hundred divisions,  
one having been recently organized  
in Toronto, Canada. It has over  
\$600,000 assets. It is now in the  
foremost rank of fraternal lodges,  
according to fraternal authorities.

Q. That is interesting, but what  
has this got to do with the question  
of granting drivers' licenses to the  
deaf?

A. That is just it! I have just  
now explained the mental attitude  
of the public toward the deaf, their  
tendency to think that deafness  
means, in effect, inability to do  
many things. They are right,  
where the senses of hearing is abso-  
lutely essential, there being no  
other senses to offset the same—  
but not otherwise. Take the case  
of a telephone. What sense is all  
important?

Q. Sense of hearing, of course.

A. Any other sense of equal im-  
portance?

Q. No.

A. Well, then, the public is right.  
The deaf can't use the telephone.  
The sense of hearing is not there.  
That ends it.

Q. That's true enough,—but you  
are not talking about automobiles  
with respect to the deaf.

A. Wait a moment! Now, in the  
matter of driving cars, what senses  
of real importance are involved?

Q. Hearing, and—and—

A. I'll answer for you—First,  
hearing; second, sight; third, feel-  
ing. The other senses are not of  
equal importance.

Now—what other things are es-  
sential in driving cars?

Q. (Pondering.)

A. Let me answer. Cautious  
driving, absence of state of intoxica-  
tion while driving, respect for the  
rights of the pedestrian, observance  
of the traffic rules, proper hand and  
horn signals, and so on.

Q. Why, of course.

A. But you don't seem to get  
my point. In the case of the tele-  
phone, only the sense of hearing is  
really involved; whereas, in the case  
of driving an automobile, there are  
so many other elements involved  
which I have just now mentioned.

Q. But the deaf cannot hear—  
surely, they cannot drive.

A. You still don't get my idea.  
Now, listen: Let us put aside the  
matter of the sense of hearing for  
a moment. The deaf can still see.  
Yes? The deaf can still feel. Yes?  
Now, bear in mind, that God has  
a way of compensation with the  
remaining senses, where one sense  
is lacking. The deaf, as a rule,  
are keen in observation. They also  
have a keen sense of vibration or  
feeling. They are ever alert for  
hand signals, traffic directions, and  
are strong on respecting the rights  
of the pedestrian and observing  
traffic rules. They know from the  
sense of vibration the moment  
something gets wrong with the  
engine.

If you will put your fingers in the  
ears so that you can't hear any-  
thing, you will see that you have a  
greater appreciation of what the  
sense of vibration really is.

The sense of hearing is not the  
all-important one in driving. That  
is due to the constant roar of traffic  
sounds of all degrees on the streets.  
You will find that out in closed cars,  
on heavy trucks, etc.

More and more drivers use the  
mirror. Thus, they, as well as the  
deaf, see what is going on behind  
them.

Q. That sounds reasonable. I,  
now, see what you are driving at.

A. Exactly what the National  
Association of the Deaf is trying to  
make the public see. The deaf,  
through that Association, maintain  
that when a deaf person applies for  
a driving license, he should be ex-  
amined on his own merits, regardless  
of his deafness. The test is: Can  
he drive carefully and safely, and  
does he know all the traffic rules,  
and so on? If he can drive, and if  
he knows the rules, he is entitled to  
a license, no matter if he is deaf.  
If he cannot drive or if he does not  
know the rules, then he should not  
get a license just because of that—  
not because of his deafness.

Q. But how about the attitude  
of Commissioner of Motor Vehicles  
Dill, of New Jersey? You know,  
he refuses to grant licenses to the  
deaf.

A. He has the same inability to  
distinguish between the fact of  
deafness and its effect in driving  
as the public. What's more, it is  
a well-known fact to the deaf  
throughout the country that he is  
actuated by a prejudice of a violent  
kind against the deaf. Just why,  
I don't know, but it is true. A  
representative of the Allied Societies  
for the Deaf of Connecticut  
called on Governor Sizer of New  
Jersey in the early part of 1923;  
and the Governor, after promising  
a "square deal" to the deaf in the  
matter of driving cars, suggested to  
him that he see Commissioner Dill.  
Mr. Dill, on learning who the re-  
presentative was, got agitated and  
absolutely refused to listen to what  
he would have liked to say. His  
idea of courtesy is to refuse first  
before listening! Such a man lacks  
the judicial quality of mind which  
a Commissioner of Motor Vehicles  
should possess. I will leave it to  
you as to just how much to credit  
his sincerity and fairness of mind  
in the matter of granting licenses  
to the deaf.

Q. Well, you must be giving me  
inside stuff!

A. Call it as you please, but I can  
prove it, if I were challenged.

Q. Have you other facts and  
figures or authorities as motor ve-  
hicles to back up your statements?

A. Certainly, Commissioner Stoe-  
ckels of this State says in his official  
pamphlet on "The Driver's Li-  
cense," among other things, that,  
in the case of the deaf, "the test is  
bound to be whether, notwithstanding  
the physical infirmity from which  
the intending operator suffers, he  
can operate the car as well, by com-  
pensation of senses or adjustment  
of machinery, as he could if he had  
the sense unimpaired."

Registrar Goodwin, of Massachu-  
setts states, in a letter to me the  
other day, that it makes no differ-  
ence whether a person can hear or  
not in the matter of granting driv-  
ing licenses and that after analysis  
of thousands of accidents in his  
State, not even one accident could  
be traced to deafness, and that if  
there is any bill in the legislature  
unfavorable to the deaf, he would  
oppose it.

A recent letter from the auto-  
mobile department in Rhode Island  
states that all cases of deafness are  
taken on their merits, and that if  
the tests are satisfactorily met, a  
license is issued to the applicant  
with the requirement that he has  
a mirror so adjusted that he can  
see the traffic behind him.

According to the *Silent Worker*  
published in New Jersey, the statis-  
tician of the Metropolitan Life In-  
surance Co., who is also chairman of  
the Public Safety Section of the  
National Safety Council says:  
"The indication is that false con-  
clusions are being drawn at the  
present time in connection with  
deaf drivers of automobiles. I am  
quite willing to say that I have not  
seen any figures, which I could  
consider trustworthy, indicating  
that deafness was a serious factor  
in increasing the hazard from  
driving an automobile."

The superintendents and princi-  
pals of practically all the schools  
for the deaf in this country, who by  
reason of their lifework, are inti-  
mately familiar with all phases of  
the problems of the deaf, are posi-  
tive that the deaf can and do drive  
cars cautiously and are not a men-  
ace to the safety of the streets and  
highways.

Q. The attitude of the authorities  
you mention is certainly in marked  
contrast with that of Mr. Dill.  
Have you any figures showing the

relation between accidents and  
deafness?

A. You can find nothing better  
than the statistics in the "Report  
of the Committee on Statistics" ap-  
pointed by Secretary of Commerce  
Hoover for the National Conference  
on Street and Highway Safety held  
at Washington, D. C., on December  
15th and 16th. It states that 23,  
600 people were killed in street and  
highway accidents in 1923; and  
that there were 678,000 serious  
personal injuries. About 85 per  
cent of these accidents were due to  
automobile traffic. Secretary  
Hoover, in a speech before that  
conference, attributed three major  
causes of these accidents to incompe-  
tence, carelessness and reckless-  
ness. He said: "I could be arrest-  
ed and convicted on a dozen counts  
between Washington and New  
York, if I carefully followed the  
Washington or New York traffic  
regulations."

According to that report, the an-  
alysis of 1,144 automobile accidents  
in 39 States by the American Mu-  
tual Alliance, an organization of in-  
surance companies, shows only two  
cases of the motorist's physical  
defect out of those 1,144 accidents  
or only 0.2 per cent. It is not stat-  
ed what the particular defect is.

The Connecticut official record of  
suspensions shows only two suspen-  
sions due to physical infirmities out  
of the total number of 1



## Deaf-Mutes' Journal.

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### A HAPPY NEW YEAR

THIS number is the first of Volume Fifty-Four. For fifty-three years the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL has been the public newspaper organ of the adult deaf. For fifty-three years it has been sent every week to the homes of subscribers, carrying the latest news about the deaf, promulgating the ideas of the leading lights in the silent world, commenting upon what concerns the interests of the deaf, reporting the proceedings of their reunions and conventions, and bringing cheer and hope and encouragement to those whose lives are lived in silence.

During the year 1924, very little in the line of deaf-mute news has been unnoticed and unrecorded. The success of the deaf as factors in the march of progress has been chronicled at all times, and emphasized, so that it would attract public attention, and thus redound to the welfare of all the deaf.

The National Association of the Deaf has not made much noise, but investigation will show that it has been working silently in behalf of the rights of its members, and of others who are too short-sighted or selfish to join its ranks.

The National Fraternal Society has as usual made forward steps. It now boasts of over five thousand affiliations and a treasury of over \$600,000.

The wave of prosperity has swept over every part of the Union, and there are no complaints of lack of work and low wages. With the rest of the country, the deaf have prospered. May 1925 be filled with a continuance of prosperity. We wish all

### A HAPPY NEW YEAR.

FROM the "Our Monthly Letter," the organ of the adult deaf of Victoria, Australia, a type-written quarterly, of ten quarto pages, published every three months, we reproduce the subjoined paragraph:—

THE NEW CENTRE-JOLIMONT SQUARE  
"Another Garden of Eden," exclaimed one of our hearing friends, upon his first visit to Jolimont Square. 'Its English every inch of it, and most beautiful.' No wonder! It was the estate of the first English Governor of Victoria and five of the houses in the Square were imported from England, and the plants in the gardens and central park, together with the massive entrance gates, strongly reminds one of homes in the Old Country. It is only four or five minutes from our Old Centre and less than three minutes train or tram ride. The Square is on a hill and on two sides there are extensive parks. No wonder the public were astonished at so lovely a property coming into the hands of the Adult Deaf and Dumb Society. Without doubt, the Victorian Adult Deaf Society now owns properties (Lake

Park, Blackburn and Jolimont Square) for value and beauty that must surpass those owned by any other Adult Society in the World."

THE deaf of New England, especially Boston and vicinity, are working for funds for a new building as an annex to the New England Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf located at Everett, Mass. They had collected over \$32,000 in October of this year. There has been a steady increase during November and December, and the amount subscribed now totals \$54,060.03. Their goal is set for \$100,000, and judging by the past they will get there during the year 1925.

### Inspiration

Chisel in hand stood a sculptor boy,  
With his marble block before him;  
And his face lit up with a smile of joy  
As an angel dream passed o'er him.  
He carved that dream on the yielding stone  
With many a sharp incision;  
With heaven's own light the sculpture shone.  
He had caught that angel vision.

"Sculptors of life are we, as we stand,  
With our lives uncarved before us,  
Waiting the hour when, at God's command,  
Our life dream passes o'er us,  
Let us carve it then on the yielding stone,  
With many a sharp incision;  
Its heavenly beauty shall be our own;  
Our lives, that angel vision."  
—Bishop Doane.

### TEACHING THE DEAF.

GALLAUDET COLLEGE NEEDS MORE BUILDING, SAYS REPORT.

The Columbia Institution for the Deaf, known as Gallaudet College, in Washington, D. C., had under instruction seventy-seven men and forty-eighty women, a total of one hundred and twenty-five students, during the last fiscal year, according to its annual report. These young persons came from thirty-five different States, from Canada and from the District of Columbia.

In the primary and grammar department, known as the Kendall School, 24 boys and 24 girls were given instruction, without charge to their parents or guardians. The total number of students and pupils admitted to the institution during the year was 60 and the total number discharged was 57.

In the advanced department the regular five-year course was carried out, leading to the degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Science. In response to a number of applications, still more advanced work was given in mechanical drawing, and a number of students were given a course in analytic geometry. The course in bacteriology was continued from the previous year.

In the primary and grammar department the regular school course, covering the primary and grammar course in the ordinary schools and some high school work, including algebra, was pursued through the year, and two graduates of the school succeeded in passing the entrance examinations to the higher department. Considerable attention was given during the year to laying a foundation for the training of the hearing of a number of the pupils who are only partially deaf.

On account of the crowded condition of the men's dormitory, which is used for classrooms, library, office and storage rooms, as well as for sleeping quarters, the institution is in need of an administration building, so that the young men may have their dormitory free from other uses. There is also great need for further equipment in the printing office by the addition of a typesetting machine, says the report. It has been impossible during the last year to provide properly for all the students desiring instruction in printing, one of the best occupations for deaf young men, according to the report.

At a meeting of heads of American Schools for the Deaf at St. Augustine, Fla., held last January, the carrying on of research work was strongly urged upon the authorities of the Columbia Institution for the Deaf. It was further urged that the normal department for the deaf be enlarged, so as to better meet the very great demand for well-educated teachers.

During the year the National Research Council agreed to support an investigation of schools for the deaf, their equipment and methods, to be carried out in the school year 1924-25 by professors connected with the collegiate department of the institution. The council also agreed to support Dr. Robert H. Gault of Northwestern University in special research work at the institution in the direction of understanding spoken sounds through the sense of touch.—N. Y. Times, December 28.

Work requires more than time, it requires force. That is why it doesn't pay to work Sundays. What is gained in time is more than lost in force.—Alexander McKenzie, D.D.

## NEW YORK

News items for this column should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.  
A few words of information in a letter or postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

What proved to be a real shock to Miss Zelda Bernstein (well-known in Silentdom of Greater New York) was the surprise birthday party tendered her at her parents' home in the Bronx by her best friend, Miss Ida Katz, on Saturday evening, December 20th, 1924.

The parlor was beautifully decorated by her brothers. They were very enthusiastic with the guests, and were pleased that their sister was being celebrated.

Zelda was taken out in the afternoon by Miss Ida Katz, and returned home about 9:30 P. M., only to be found among her friends when she turned on the light. Congratulations and kisses crowded her for awhile, and real honest-to-goodness tears came streaming down her face.

Useful presents were showered on her.

Games and dancing held sway before and after the dainty and palatable buffet supper was served. The repast was made by the Misses Kitty Ross, Bessie Levy, Elizabeth Kaplan and the hostess—Miss Ida Katz.

Those present besides Zelda were: Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Paul, Mr. and Mrs. Julius Seandel, Mr. and Mrs. Issy Bloom, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Friedman, Misses Vera Hoffman, Rebecca Champagne, Bertha Kranzer, Bessie Levy, Kitty Ross, Lizzie Kaplan, Messrs Max Hoffman, George Miller, Harry Harrison, Jack Ebin, Jake Seltzer, Willie and Harry, Bernstein, Mr. and Mrs. Bernstein (parents) and the hostess—Miss Ida Katz, and a neighboring lady.

The American Society of Deaf Artists will give a Whist party, Saturday evening, January 10th, 1925, at St. Ann's Church. No more deserving society in the city could ask for every one to come. This is their second party in seventeen years. Through all these years they have carried on their work without ever asking anything. Always ready to help. Obtaining and protecting the rights of their members, gaining recognition everywhere for the deaf in artistic lines. They ask you all to come, so they can hold an exhibition in the spring, at which you can see the work of your own people. They want you to know them and get acquainted at this party. Valuable prizes, refreshments, etc.

Mr. Julius J. Byck, of Tannersville, N. Y., was at the rooms of the Deaf-Mutes' Union League on Saturday last. He is in the moving pictures business, owning and operating five theatres up State. One was burned down at Catskills last summer. Besides he also has for sale glass for every purpose, and furnishes top mirrors. He owns and operates an automobile to go to and from his theatres and secure films from Albany, N. Y. During the winter all except one of his theatres are closed, and thus he is able to be in Brooklyn, N. Y., a great deal, as his wife's folks live in that Borough.

This following clipping is taken from the New York Evening Journal, and speaks for itself: "For several weeks Police Judge Bianchi, of Orange, N. J., has been compelled to reprimand offenders who protested punishment imposed by the Court. When Morris Nickles was arraigned charged with intoxication and he failed to defend himself the Magistrate set him free. When he failed to leave the courtroom, the Court was informed the man was a mute."

Mary C. Kiernan, sister of Peter J. Kiernan, died on December 11th, at the Post Graduate Hospital. Her death was caused by a blood clot moving to the heart, after an operation for varicose veins. Interment was in St. Raymond's Cemetery, on December 14th.

Silent Separates, World's Deaf-Mute Champions, will be seen in action Sunday night, January 4th, against the Commonwealth Big Five, at the New Palace Garden Casino, between 139th and 140th Streets on Seventh Avenue.

Miss Mary Stein, of Madison, Wisconsin, the home Senator La-Follette, is visiting relative in New York City. She intends to stay here two months. She was one of the famous S. A. C. Follies last July in Chicago.

Mr. and Mrs. Eisenberg and Mr. Simon Kahn on Christmas Day journeyed to Stamford, Ct., and paid a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Goldstein, of that Connecticut town, who formerly were residents of New York City.

"Marvel" Weinberg, the famous vaudeville dancer will sail aboard the U. S. S. America in company with his mother on January 3d. They will travel to Germany, England and France, where "Marvel" will dance.

The Misses Virginia and Elizabeth Gallaudet, through the courtesy of the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, wish to thank their friends for the many and beautiful cards received at Christmas, which were greatly appreciated.

This Saturday evening, January 3d, the Deaf-Mutes' Union League celebrates its 39th year, with Vaudeville, a Dinner and Dance, at "The Vienna," 113 East 58th Street. Only members and their lady escorts will be present.

On Saturday evening, January 10th, the Houston Athletic Club will observe their 10th anniversary with a banquet at the Academy Ball Room, 109-115 West 79th Street, New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Adolph Pfeiffer, of Lake George, N. Y., are in town, having come as in former years, to spend the holiday season here.

Miss Curry, a Gallaudet College Co-ed, from South Carolina, spent the Christmas holidays in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Bittenheim have decided to name their new baby Adele Gloria Bittenheim.

## Gallaudet College.

December 23d marked the end of the four days of grueling examinations, which closed the First Term. Quite a bit of night oil was burned during the time. One case needs mention. It has come to light lately that one of the Sophs went in for plugging the night before the chemistry test. When the electric lights went out, he fished forth old wick-burner, and hammered away again. Everything went smoothly until one o'clock, when our hero's head began to nod. That would never do; so he got up and braved the icy nor'wester all the way to H Street to fill up on black coffee and "hot dogs" whose number "passed all understanding," as he said himself. Then he returned home and pored over the mysteries of atoms until after 4 A. M., when he lay down on a couch and took a cat nap, lasting till six. Then he jumped up, had a shower and breakfast and told the world he had chemistry down to a fine point. All he asked was to be given the chance to prove himself. He got the chance. But Oh, Cruel World! The poor gink got a big X.

Christmas vacation began with the ending exams on Tuesday, December 23d, and continued to Monday morning. Quite a number of students went home. Those who remained here had a merry time, too. The thirteenth was given to recuperation from the effects of the protracted professors' barrage of questionnaires just over. The following evening, at the invitation of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A., all assembled in chapel. Santa, alias Riddle, '28, paid a flying visit, and left a stocking filled with fruit and confections for everyone. Then followed games and capers of many kinds. The salient feature of the twenty-fifth was a delicious chicken dinner, served in holly-festooned refectory. Friday evening was given over to the customary informal Christmas Dance. Almost all the students flocked to the Men's Refectory that night to sway, trip, and blow along under the spell of weird, syncopated strains, of a Virolta.

As a finale to the week's activities Gallaudet played the team representing the Old Dominion Boat Club on Saturday evening. With Bradley, Wallace, and Holdren away, the only members of the first team to play were Riddle and Byouk. But even with a makeshift team, Gallaudet paddled her own canoe so swiftly that the old salts were left puffing in the rear. The score was 49-38. As usual, Riddle sunk the greatest number of counters, twelve in all. The improved passing-work of our men was a joy to behold and should augur for a string of steady victories.

GALLAUDET (49) O. D. B. C. (38)  
Scarvie L. F. Seiple  
Byouk R. F. Belton  
Riddle C. Roberts  
Clark L. G. Rand  
Miller R. G. Pierce

Substitutions: Lahn for Clark, Wondrack for Byouk, Strauss for Wondrack, Byouk for Strauss, Massinkoff for Lahn, Wondrack for Scarvie, Scarvie for Wondrack, Dickson for Riddle. Court goals—Byouk 3, Wondrack 2, Scarvie 3, Riddle 12, Miller. Referee—Hass.

During vacation the Co-eds and men students, by the kind permission of the faculty, formed many parties for attending movies and skating on Chevy Chase Lake. These excursions were perhaps the most pleasant part of the vacation. It is the common opinion that the holidays were by far the best in years, thanks to Jack Frost, Chevy Chase Lake, and the indulgence of the faculty.

Robert Bradley, '26, was called home Friday evening, by the death of his brother. And the next morning, Louis Byouk, P. C., received the sad news that his father and one brother had burned to death when their home was razed by fire. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to these young men in their great sorrow.

## Canadian Clippings.

Mr. Peter McDougall was surprised and pleased to receive a visit from two of his sisters, who are trained nurses at the Hillsdale, Ill., hospital. They spent the week-end of December 20th, with Peter here, and then left for their parental home in South Indiana for the Yuletide holidays.

Miss Muriel Allen was out to see her parents in Hamilton, over the week-end of December 13th, and again during the Yuletide holidays.

The T. A. D. held a successfully bowling tournament on December 20th, to raise money for their hockey club, and a good sum were realized. Prizes were given away and those are the successful winners: 1st, Mr. Daniel O'Brien, a fat turkey; 2d, Mr. John Brown, who won a goose, and 3d, Mr. Wesley Ellis, who won a duck—not a duckling, mind you. In the ladies' race, Mrs. A. C. Shepherd won first prize of a silver ladle and salad spoon, and Mrs. Frank P. Rooney, second prize of a beautiful bead necklace.

Mr. Henry Allen, who was called to Detroit on December 20th, to attend the funeral of his sister in Detroit, gave his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. N. A. McGillivray, a surprise and pleasant brief call on his way home.

### GENERAL GLEANINGS

The Sisman Shoe Co., of Aurora, gave its employees a complimentary banquet on December 23d. Our friends, Messrs. Herbert McKenzie and Eli Corbieri, and their wives were present.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Coles, of Galt, Mrs. Stewart Robertson, of Preston, and Miss Mary McQueen, of Guelph, were among those who braved the bitter cold and raging snowstorm, and went to Kitchener on December 14th, to attend the meeting conducted by Mr. Arthur A. Jaffray, of Toronto.

We regret to state that at time of writing, the mother of Miss Pearl Herman, is very low at her home in Stirling, and the darker clouds are hovering over the sick bed. Miss Herman, who has been at her mother's side for months past, has the heartfelt sympathy of all.

Mr. Newton Black and Mr. Thomas Williams, of Kitchener, who were quite ill lately, are around again, we are pleased to mention.

Much regret is expressed to Prof. George F. Stewart, of the Belleville School teaching staff, and Mrs. Stewart, on the recent death of their son-in-law.

Mr. Thomas A. Middleton, of Horning Mills, was in Shelburne on December 15th, where he disposed of two fat cattle, and next day sold two others in Corbetton, for which he received top prices.

We hear that Mr. and Mrs. Wesley MacAdams, of North Battleford, Sask., intend coming down to Ontario for good before very long, where they will remain for good. They are yearning for old Ontario.

Miss Loretta Whalen and her sister, Miss Mary, who have for some time past, been working for the Quaker Cereal Company in Peterboro, have given up their jobs and gone to their parental home in New Liskeard. They graduated from Belleville but a few years ago.

Our old friends, Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Brown, have been heard from. They are living in Wellwood, Manitoba, between Brandon and Winnipeg. Wilson works a farm for an aged couple and for whom his wife keeps house. We are glad to hear they are getting on fine.

Miss Helen A. Middleton, of Horning Mills, left on December 23d for a month's holiday with her grandmother, uncle, and aunt at their home "The Knolls," a famous Summer resort in the Lake of Bays, Muskoka. Helen expects to visit relatives and friends in Toronto on her way home.

Dr. T. B. Coughlin, Supt. of the Belleville School, and Mrs. Coughlin have left for Southern California, where they expect to spend the winter in the interest of the Dr.'s health. Mr. Pearce, the Bursar at the School, is acting Supt. pro tem.

Miss Iva Hughes of Woodstock was slightly injured in the accident when the press plant exploded at her place of employment. However she was only slightly hurt.

Mr. Chas. Ryan's father, of Woodstock, spent Christmas with his daughter in Detroit.

HERBERT W. ROBERTS.

### Diocese of Maryland.

Rev. O. J. WHILDEN, General Missionary, 2100 N. Calvert Street, Baltimore, Md.

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Other Places by Appointment.

## PHILADELPHIA.

### GALLAUDET CLUB DINES.

On Wednesday, December 10th, the Gallaudet Club of Philadelphia held its twenty third annual dinner at Kugler's Cafe. The club numbers at present twenty-three members, so that taken together the two facts form quite a coincidence. None of the members, however, believe this coincidence to be a prophecy; but believe, rather, that the number has reference to the past history of similar clubs in other cities. For as far as is known, the Gallaudet Club of Philadelphia is the oldest in point of continuous existence of any of its contemporaries, and takes a justifiable pride in the fact.

In conformity with several former precedents, ladies were invited to the dinner. The number of those present was thus augmented not only by their gracious presence, but also by quite a few visitors and friends from both within and outside of the city. Conspicuous among these were the guests of honor, who this year included Superintendent and Mrs. Alvin E. Pope, of the New Jersey School; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur J. Godwin, of the Mt. Airy School; and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Lipsett. Dr. Cronter sent his regrets at being unable to attend, due to an illness suffered by Mrs. Cronter.

The dinner consisted of the following menu:

Shrimp Cocktail	Queen Olives
Golden Heart Celery	Minestrone Soup a L'Italiane
Roast Sirloin of Beef	Mushroom Sauce
Potato Kiosole	Stringless Beans
Cold Asparagus Tips Salad	Vinaigrette Dressing
Ice Cream Croquette Glace	Mixed Fancy Cakes
Coffee	

After the dinner, a box of cigars was distributed, while President Donohue read a communication from Mr. Godwin to the effect that he preferred to say his after-dinner speeches with smoke. Despite the popularity of his "Say it with Smoke" idea, he was later prevailed upon to make an address, which Mr. Joseph E. Lipsett interpreted into the sign-language. Mr. Godwin stressed the pioneer qualities of great men, and outlined in what respects Gallaudet showed those qualities.

President Donohue, acting as toastmaster, called upon Superintendent Pope for an address. Mr. Pope responded with an eloquent plea for the closer cooperation and help of the deaf with the administrative heads of schools. He gave some practical suggestions as to how the deaf themselves could aid in improving the various schools, and gave some interesting information regarding his ideals for the New Jersey School. His address was predominantly hopeful and forward looking. Citing the great achievements of pioneers like Gallaudet and Dr. Cronter, Mr. Pope urged that we should not now rest content with the accomplishments of the past, but with vision and zeal push to newer achievements.

The President having called upon the Rev. Mr. Smaltz, he responded by pointing out that the Club was enjoying the comradeship that very evening of two pioneers. He remarked that Mr. Godwin had been the first man to incorporate the linotype as a regular part of the curriculum in the printing trade department of a school for the deaf. Since then his example has been very widely followed. And Mr. Pope was even now doing pioneer work in erecting the new New Jersey School upon the cottage plan, developed upon a thorough and inclusive scale.

The toastmaster called upon many of those present for a few remarks, and most responded. Various phases in the life of the deaf, from the time they enter school until they achieve their niche in the world of work, were touched upon. It reminded for Mrs. Souder, of Wilmington, to remind us all that the great Gallaudet was a Philadelphian by birth. Of course, her reminder was appreciated, though not with the boisterous glee with which such an announcement might have been greeted upon a similar occasion in Gotham. Which causes us to remark another observation—namely, that the diners were not limited to the number of cigars they were permitted to smoke, for fear of precipitating a devastating rain-fall, as in the Smoky City. Also, the entire occasion lacked the breezy flippancy of the Windy City outbursts. All in all, the dinner was the usual Philadelphia affair, and if played up by press agents in the approved manner of our contemporaries who are without the pale, it would be highly disconcerting. Auf Wiedersehen!

### ALL SOULS' CHURCH FOR THE DEAF

Sixteenth Street, above Allegheny Avenue Philadelphia, Pa.

Rev. Warren M. Smaltz, Missionary, 3226 N. 16th Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

First Sunday, Holy Communion, 8:30 P. M.  
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Bible Class, Every Sunday, 2:30 P. M.

Ottmar Mergenthaler.

Over in Germany, in 1845, there was born in the home of a humble teacher a boy who was destined to invent the linotype machine, that marvelous and intricate apparatus that has made the modern daily newspaper a possibility. There was very little money for the support of the family, and the boy, as soon as he could, had to help in the most common tasks of the household. At fourteen he was set to work with a watchmaker, and at once showed great mechanical ability. In the daytime he worked hard at his task, and in the evening he went to night school where he studied mechanical drawing. At eighteen the boy borrowed enough money to make the trip to the United States, where he was promised employment with his cousin.

Thus, in 1872, Ottmar Mergenthaler, with some five hundred others, who were likewise seeking fortune in the land of opportunity, took his place in the crowded steerage of an Atlantic liner, and ultimately landed in Baltimore. In the Washington shop to which he went he soon became a foreman. There he grew familiar with the ingenious tools and machines and the making of accurate instruments. Through a friend he developed a form of copying machine, and was thereby led to interest himself in typesetting and printing. Thereupon he began his experiments that led to the making of the linotype machine.

At one time his experiments proved of so little value, and he was so destitute of money, that he took all his drawings and plans and tore them up. Shortly afterwards supporters having been found, he resumed his work. He had begun by trying to use papier mache, but after a long series of disappointments he saw at last that the thing to do was to cast actual type metal at once.

In 1884, when he thirty years old, he perfected a machine that at once set type and cast it in a form. The machine was still far from the marvelous machine of today, and he continued to improve on it from year to year, patiently experimenting and devising.

Tuberculosis came upon him, and various misfortunes drew upon his strength. He died at forty-five, but he had lived to see his great invention a success, and to receive medals, high honors and great financial rewards. Today there is scarcely a printing office in the United States that does not owe thanks to the genius of the German immigrant.—The Virginia Guide.

### Trees Turned Into Stamps

In a single year more than 50 acres of spruce trees, the only kind that produce the quality of pulp desired, are felled to supply the nation with postage stamps, says Popular Mechanics.

According to the last count, 41,175 of these forest giants, covering 65 acres, were cut down for the year's postal script, which totaled 1,450,000 pounds, an amount sufficient for an issue of 4,150,000 seven column, 20 pages newspapers, or if turned into lumber, building material could have been provided for 62 bungalows. If all the stamps used annually were placed in a single strip, they would make a ribbon of color 200,000 miles long and would wrap around the globe eight times.

Arranged end to end, the usual sheets of 100 would form a brilliant sash 20,000 miles long, or stacked one above the other, would build a shaft eight miles high. A single day's issue, valued at approximately \$1,000,000, is 50,000,000, and requires 300 lbs. of paper, 2,200 pounds of ink and 3,200 pounds of gum. There are 47 different varieties in 15 different shades.—Exchange.

### PROTESTANT-EPISCOPAL MISSIONS.

Dioceses of Washington, and the States of Virginia, and West Virginia. Rev. Henry J. Palmer, General Missionary, 1450 Fairmont Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

Washington, D. C.—St. John's Parish Hall, 16th and H Streets, N. W. Services every Sunday, 11 A. M. Holy Communion, First Sunday of each month.

Richmond, Va.—St. Andrew's Church, Laurel and Beverley Streets. Service Second Sunday, 8 P. M. Bible Class, other Sundays, 11 A. M.

Norfolk, Va.—St. Luke's Church, Grady and 10th Streets. Service, Second Sunday, 8:30 A. M.

Wheeling, W. Va.—St. Elizabeth's Silent Mission, St. Matthew's Church. Services every Sunday, at 8:30 P. M.

Services by Appointment:—Virginia: Lynchburg, Roanoke, Newport News, and Staunton. West Virginia: Parkersburg, Huntington, Charleston, Clarksburg, Fairmont and Romney.

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Everybody Welcome.

Doest thou love life? Then do not squander time, for that is the stuff life is made of.—Benjamin Franklin.



## DETROIT.

[News items for this column may be sent to Mrs. C. C. Colby, 1728 Field Avenue, Detroit, Mich.]

I wish you one and all a Prosperous and a Happy New Year, which are my first words put forth on my Corona to my dear readers. This machine is my Christmas gift, and I presume it will save the JOURNAL force a great deal of time, as my handwriting is getting like a cross-word puzzle (?). Again wishing all a Prosperous and a Happy New Year.

Here is part of a message from Father Kaufmann to the members of the Detroit Association of the Catholic Deaf:

"Thank you, ladies and gentlemen, for your faithful services; au revoir! To the incoming officials: Welcome! Success to you! Behold the galaxy of officers for 1925: President, J. J. Hellers; Vice-President, Alex. Lobsenz; Secretary, Mrs. C. Riedinger; Treasurer, Fred Bourcier; Board of Trustees, P. N. Hellers, J. Crough, J. Walters."

Father Kaufmann was present with his usual cheerful manner. A Jolly Santa Claus (Thomas J. Kenney) delighted a throng at the Hall of St. Boniface School on Vermont Avenue, near Michigan Avenue, Sunday from 3 to 7 P.M., December 21st. A throng that overflowed onto the stage and feasted its eyes on the merry face of Santa. It was under the charge of the Detroit Association of Catholic Deaf, of which Peter Hellers was chairman and he is probably Detroit's most popular deaf, as his art of personal magic drew a throng to the Catholic gathering. He is an exceptional worker among the Detroit deaf, in fact his commanding position has been held among his friends for many years.

At 7 P.M. the recitations started. All of those who took parts did well and Father Kaufmann brought the singing to a close with a "Christmas." The deaf of St. John's Epiphany Episcopal Mission, of Lutheran Church, and others were there with glad faces. Every body was ready, and they received their merry, merry Christmas gifts. The real spirit of Christmas was found in the light that shone from the faces of those who helped the Santa in distributing the toys, etc. At the opening of the program at 3 P.M., Pedro and Rum card playing were contested, and the winners were given prizes, though I could not remember who were the winners.

The Los Angeles deaf are truly working hard and stubborn to make the Building Fund over-flow with coins. A package of twenty calendars has just arrived to be disposed of for the benefit of Los Angeles Club Building, at 25 cents per calendar. The deaf of Detroit are certainly glad to help the deaf of Los Angeles by pushing their ever cherished wishes over the top, though they already have their burdens getting more money for their new Club House in Detroit.

Miss Helen Keller will come to Detroit for three days, from January 19 to 21, to speak in behalf of the American Foundation for the Blind. Miss Keller already has accepted an invitation to attend the annual meeting of the Junior League, chief agent of relief for Detroit's handicapped through its work at Newberry House. On the last day of her stay she will speak at Orchestra Hall, and tell how she overcame the barriers which prevented her from speaking and hearing, and how she developed a sense of touch and intuition, which has taken the place of sight. Miss Keller will be accompanied by Mrs. Anne Sullivan Macy, her teacher in childhood and now her companion.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Verner (Sarah Scarborough) are now living in England at No. 72 Cranmer Street, Long Eaton, Nottingham. They are building a new bungalow there, and Mr. Verner has a good position there. They would love to hear from old friends in America.

Mrs. Pearl Gatto is still living in Chicago, at 5036 Prairie Avenue. She has a better position at the Automatic Telephone Co. She expects to take a trip to Alton, Ill., in April, to visit her deceased husband's folks, thence come home to Detroit. She thinks Detroit is No. 1, and calls it her own dear home. She joined the S. A. C., and says it is a fine club. She expects her two sons and grandma to pay her a visit during the holidays.

"DEAF-MUTES IS ACCUSED OF FIRING RESTAURANT"

Charged with having set fire to John Caruso's restaurant at 5785 West Jefferson Avenue, December 4th, William Brockman, 45 years old, was arraigned before Judge John Faust in Recorder's Court, Monday. Brockman is a deaf-mute. He has no home. It was said he set fire to the restaurant out of revenge. The damage was slight.

The judge entered a plea of not guilty for him, fixed bail at \$5,000, and set the examination for December 15th. He ordered Brockman to be examined by Dr. A. L. Jacoby, court psychiatrist.—*Detroit Free Press*, of December 10.

## OHIO.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 993 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.]

December 20, 1924—One need only to enter the classes of the school to show that Christmas is near. All show it, as well as their living rooms by the many decorations seen in them of Santa Claus drawings on slates and pictures of him and his teams of reindeer to his sled, skipping past and over houses leaving his gifts to his loved ones. There are beautiful decorations in every room, and most of them the handwork of the children. It's a fine idea to let them show their spirit in this way.

Thursday evening the pupils were given their Christmas entertainment prepared by a committee of teachers for them.

The following program was rendered. The carols were sung by a number of lady teachers, pantomimed by pupils. The crowning feature at the close was the entrance of Jolly Santa Claus, wreathed in smiles, and extending Greetings to every one, and leaving again with command to follow him to the dining room below, where he would dispense to them good things.

### "THE STAR OF THE EAST."

#### CAST OF CHARACTERS

Three Shepherds . . . . .	{ Dorothy Shauf Harriet Holmes Violet Leebrock
Angels . . . . .	{ Angellina Fosaccia Alice Waldron Margaret Lauver
Three Wise Men . . . . .	{ Denver Schwartz Luca Terrell Henry Daplewski
Joseph . . . . .	Joseph Caputo
Mary . . . . .	Lizora Statton
Abel (a boy) . . . . .	Gladys Turkle
Martha (a girl) . . . . .	Marguerite Wyckoff
Angels . . . . .	{ Helen Cherry Elsie Parslow Virginia Littleton Elsie Howard

And they did. There they found a nicely ornamented Christmas tree and the jolly old fellow near it, greeting them and with the assistance of teachers giving each a box of candy, orange, pop-corn ball and a package of ice cream. A short time was spent socially in the room and off to slumberland they were sent.

There was quite a number of deaf and visitors present, and they too were treated to the goodies dispensed by Santa. Who the latter were was hard to guess, even for the writer, but he filled the bill to a T. It proved to be Mr. J. B. Showalter. Some of the pupils left for their homes last evening, those living in the northeast section of the State.

This was necessary because of poor R. R. schedule. This morning, accompanied by their respective teachers to the station to see that they were placed on their right trains, about all left for their homes. A few will probably have to spend their vacation at the school. Most of the out-of-town teachers will hie themselves to their homes too. The exodus wasn't a pleasant one with the mercury down to 8 above zero.

Miss Henrietta Gould, who, for many years, has been an employee of the State Bindery, departed recently for Seattle, Washington, to visit with a niece. If she should find the climate and surroundings congenial to her liking, she may conclude to say goodbye to Ohio, and make her home out there permanently, much to the regret of her friends here.

The officers of the Dayton Ladies' Aid Society for 1925 are: President, Mrs. Harmeyer; Vice President, Miss Eva Berger; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Ella Hunsbaugh; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hallie Snyder; Treasurer, Mrs. Clara Munday; Custodian, Mrs. M. Schmolli; Sick Committee, Mesdames Veronica Stobellton, Irene Miller and Irene Hartley.

The S. S. C. Club, composed of girls of the higher grades, had their annual social in the Cooking Class room of the Social Science Department, on the evening of the 12th. The dining room was prettily decorated with Christmas trimmings and the only illuminations were four red candle lights. After enjoying a feast of good things the party adjourned to the Art Studio, where it indulged in fun-making games, among them a camouflage candy contest among the new members. After contestants had taken a bite or two of sweets, they made a bee line for the sink, where it took some moments to clear their mouths, much to the lookers on delight.

Week before last the Columbus *Evening Dispatch* offered three prizes of \$5, \$3, and \$2, to the pupils of upper classes who would write out the best answer "If my hearing were restored for ten minutes what would I most like to hear?" The winners were respectively Violet Leebrock, Denver Schwartz and Lucille Leach, and each received a check for the amount from the publisher of the productions.

The moving picture entertainment in the chapel last Saturday, under the auspices of the Wednesday Evening Club, netted \$45. The money will be used in renting films for the Home picture machine.

"A Merry Christmas" we extend to all the readers of the JOURNAL. A. B. G.

December 27, 1924—Mercury down to 3 degrees below zero. Mother Earth garbed in her prettiest white robe. Such were the weather conditions here Christmas Day. Indoors in most houses, of course, there was warmth and cheer, the latter brought in by Santa Claus, and therefore the elements without had no concern with them.

Mr. Robert MacGregor is keeping "Bachelor Hall" during the Christmas vacation. His daughter, Bessie, having gone to Chicago to spend the holidays, being the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Roberts, and while there will meet Obions as well as others whose acquaintances were formed at Gallaudet College. Mr. MacGregor has sent out Christmas cards to friends adorned with a picture of his home, beneath which is this verse:—

The latch hangs free, the door swings wide  
To all our friends at a Christmas tide  
Fire on the hearth, good-will and cheer  
To greet our friends all the year.  
THE MACGREGORS.

Mr. A. V. Champagne is employed in the Ohio State Journal of this city as an engraver. He has been working there for a year, but as he does not mingle much with the deaf, we did not learn of his presence in our midst until recently. He is a Canadian, attended a Catholic School for Deaf, can talk, write and read French. Has been working at his vocation in San Francisco and Detroit. His wife was educated at the Belleville (Ontario) School for Deaf. Their home is in Detroit. He obtains good wages at his present place of work. He was a caller at school Friday morning, coming in a new Chevrolet sedan car. He likes Ohio, its surface and people, and when he leaves the State, it will be Florida for pleasure and rest.

We are indebted to Mr. Preston S. Stevenson for a copy of the *Findlay Morning Republican*, containing the account below. Mrs. Powell's maiden name was Ringer. Her former husband, Albert C. Powell, now of Oklahoma State, was well remembered by those in the school in the sixties and seventies.

Mrs. Catherine Powell, aged about 75, a deaf-mute, stepped on the car tracks at Main and Second Streets last night and was struck by a south-bound city car.

Hurled to the pavement, but fortunately clear of the car, the aged woman suffered a severe scalp wound above her left ear. Barnhart's ambulance responded to a hurry-up call and removed her to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Austin Dietsch, on South Main Street.

Mrs. Powell, a widow, resides at 122 Second Street. Huddled under an umbrella, a protection from the gray curtain of fine spun rain, Mrs. Powell walked into the street to see if a north-bound car was approaching. She intended to board it for a prayer meeting of deaf-mutes in north Findlay, held at 6:30 o'clock. She failed to see the car coming from the north. So that she might determine through the damp gauze of rain whether or not a car she wanted to take was near, Mrs. Powell stepped on the tracks and was almost instantly struck by the other car, which loomed up behind her out of the rain.

For a time it was feared her injuries were of critical nature, but a minute examination by a physician showed there were no broken bones or internal injuries. Painful bruises were suffered by the aged woman and she bled at the nose for a time.

Several hours later she was taken to sleep at the home of her daughter.

As the year 1924 is near its exit, this scribe of the deaf's champion advocate, THE DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, wishes its readers a happy, prosperous 1925.

A. B. G.

#### CLEVELAND NOTES

Deaf Clevelanders wish to send to their brothers and sisters Christmas Greetings, about 600 Greetings!

Mrs. Libbie Jeffries Stocker was compelled to quit her 24 years old job, in order to take care of her aged mother, last January.

Her mother passed away, and also did the good mother of Mrs. Emma Miller, Mrs. Annie Hummer, and Robert Humphrey last October. The latter was almost 87 years old. Our sympathy is extended to the bereaved.

There have been numerous Christmas social activities, following Gallaudet entertainment, which took place at Grace Church, with a big gathering Saturday night. The president of the C. A. D., Mr. C. Neille, presided. The meeting started off with a mental test in the biography of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet by Rev. Collins Sawhill. The audience was evidently conditioned in the hope of passing well in the next annual test.

An extra bit of business discussed more fully elsewhere in the issue of the auto bill, the Cleveland association for the deaf and hard of hearing, and the American enthusiasm crystallized in clear signs of the lively art—Jazz by Mrs. Laura McDill Bates, Mr. David Friedman and a few others.

Mrs. Bates warned lest the deaf might be classed under the group

of Disability if they accept charities from the Community Chest, and eventually be barred from such privileges which the normal people enjoy.

Mrs. Helen Froelich Smolk gave a brief, interesting, illustrated talk, "Courtship of Thomas H. Gallaudet and Sophia Fowler"

The audience then treated itself downstairs to ice cream and assorted home-baked cakes.

An entertainment was given at St. John's Cathedral Sunday last. The hero was Harry McCann, and the play was staged by the deaf. It was acted to an audience of over one hundred.

Mrs. Laura Frederick Erickson was the guest of her old College roommate, Mrs. Laura McDill Bates, who feels much obliged for the pains the former took in teaching her the sign language.

The *Spot Light*, a monthly publication of the Collinwood High School, had this warning to the pupils and comments:

#### ALTA SOMERWILL

Six more weeks in which you can either win the race to next grade or lose it. Many pupils no doubt were disappointed in their report cards. Failure at the end of the next six weeks will bring even greater disappointment and heart-sickness. Losing the race in the majority of cases is the fault of the student. He has not dug in and mastered his work.

What if you were handicapped as Alta Somerwill, 9B1? What would you do?

Alta Somerwill came from the Deaf School. She is taking a regular 9B course with Algebra as an extra study. Alta can not hear a single recitation and in spite of that she received 3E's and 3G's on her report card. Alta's home room, the 9B1's, are very proud of her. So is Collinwood Junior High.

Mrs. Somerwill, Alta's mother, sent word that she appreciates the kindness shown to Alta by her schoolmates and teachers.

Now then, you sluggards, wake up! Win this race. When you become discouraged think of Alta Somerwill, who succeeds in her work even though she is handicapped.

Teddy, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. Hemstreet, attends the High School, where Miss Somerwill is enrolled.

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December 20, 1924.

Says Spirits Told Lorn Mute to Wreck Trains

LEWISTOWN, PA., Dec. 27.—William Rosenmund, a deaf mute, was arrested by Pennsylvania Railroad police today in connection with three attempts to wreck fast night trains between Millin and Denholm, near here.

The police said they were told by Rosenmund's father that the prisoner said he had been despondent over the refusal of a girl in New Brighton, Pa., to marry him, and that he had been counseled by "spirits" to wreck trains to frighten the girl into marrying him. The police were also told he had given the girl \$300.—*Telegram and Evening Mail*, Dec. 27.

## FANWOOD.

On Friday afternoon the annual Christmas Tree entertainment and gifts to the pupils, teachers, and others, made the Chapel at Fanwood ring with merriment and throb with joy.

All of the pupils were there. Also the president of the Board of Directors, Mr. Samuel R. Betts, accompanied by Mrs. Betts, the Principal of the Institution, Mr. Isaac B. Gardner, with the full staff of teachers, Major Van Tassel, all the officers and a few visitors.

On the platform was the big tree, beautifully decorated, which stood at one side flanked by big piles of gift packages, on the other side an ancient New England fireplace, while at the rear, on the slates, were a score of figures, done in colored crayon by pupils of the Art Department.

Principal Gardner presided, and when the pupils were seated, told them Santa Claus had been sent for and was momentarily expected.

First of all the entire kindergarten, each class led by a teacher, circled the chapel in a sort of procession, carrying banners on which were inscribed Christmas sentiment of varied character. They each wore fancy headdress and carried Christmas greenery. They were led by the Cadet Band.

Instead of coming through the fireplace as formerly, this year Santa Claus made a spectacular entrance through the main doors of the Chapel, driving eight reindeer (little boys and girls specially dressed and wearing on their heads the antlers of a deer), amid great excitement and the joy of the assembled school.

Santa Claus drove his deer onto the platform, seated them in a circle, and then addressed the pupils, telling them of Mr. Gardner's radio message, and what a hard time he had getting to the Institution with so many other calls to make.

First he was presented with several packages for himself, then with the aid of messengers selected from the Palette and Brush Club, he quickly reduced the big piles of gifts by dispatching them to the persons named thereon. About all of the teachers and officers were remembered.

Every one received a box of candy as they filed out of the chapel, and the Merry Christmas Party of 1924 was ended.

The pupils left for their homes on the 20th of December, and will remain till January 5th, 1925.

On the Monday preceding the holidays, there was a sale of Christmas cards that had been made by the members of the Palette and Brush Club, an organization of selected pupils in the advanced classes of the Art Department. There was also an exhibit of the work done by the different classes, beginning at the lowest and ending at the highest classes. The exhibits of drawing, crayon work in colors, ingenious toys constructed and painted, was really wonderful.

The pupils remaining at the Institution during the Christmas recess are having a good time. Both the boys' and girls' study rooms have been handsomely decorated with many pictures commemorating the happy season, and they have many toys, such as gladden the hearts of youngsters, thus forgetting they were compelled for various reasons to remain at the Institution, and they are a merry and happy lot.

On Christmas Day a specially good dinner, consisting of turkey and all its trimmings, was provided, and today January 1st, 1925, they will also be treated to another fine dinner.

Most of the teachers who live out-of-town, have gone to spend the gladsome season at their homes. It is with regret that we chronicle the illness of Miss Agnes Craig, but it is hoped she will be herself again before the Christmas vacation is over.

Mr. Harry Zerwick, of Boston, Mass., a former pupil of Fanwood School, during the holidays was in this city. He usually hies this way during the Yuletide season. This year he brought two of his sons with him to see the Metropolis, and on the 27th of December visited his Alma Mater.

#### MARRIED

At the residence of the bride's sister, 750 Ostrom Avenue, Syracuse, New York, in the presence of a few relatives and intimate friends, Florence Martha Thayer was united in the bonds of holy matrimony to George Michael Siebert, of Kalamazoo, Mich., on December the twenty-seventh, 1924, the Rev. Herbert C. Merrill, Missionary to the deaf in New York officiating.

Mrs. Ernest T. Sumner, sister of the bride, was matron of honor and Mr. Ernest T. Sumner acted as bestman. Mrs. Siebert is a graduate of the Rochester, N. Y., school, and Mrs. Siebert of the Flint, Mich., school. After a short wedding trip the happy couple will make their home in Kalamazoo, Michigan, where the groom has a remunerative and responsible position.

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Melour Clements rented a house in rear of an empty house. Mrs. Clements always drew down the window shades at night, to keep out prying eyes. But it was the time of an active war against bootlegging. Gossip began to link the drawn-shade house behind an empty house with hooch. When a family moved into the front house, the neighbors warned the newcomers against the suspicious blind pig behind. The head of the family took matters into her own hands and knocked on the front door of the rear house. When no response was made, she boldly opened the door. The lady of the burgled house turned to face her own mother. Explanations soon cleared up the mystery, and diaphanous curtains now bar the public eye from the interior.

One lady assures me her hubby can read lips and is a well speaker.

The anniversary of Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet, December 10th, was celebrated in Los Angeles with a showing of some films produced by the N. A. D., in St. Paul's Cathedral. I rise to inquire what authority there is for the scene showing Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet suggesting to Edward Miner Gallaudet the future founding and presidency of a college for the deaf. Some of us have the idea that the project had its germ in the brain of Dr. E. M. Gallaudet. Will some one enlighten us there through your columns?

The Anderson and Wohlfarth Furniture Manufacturing Co., has been re-organized, Messrs. Anderson and Wohlfarth having resigned. Their places have been taken by energetic hearing relatives with genuine interest in the deaf and hearty co-operation with the hold-over directors. An unused factory with ample machinery has been secured under an option in Downey, and \$4,000 towards two acres have been donated. An active campaign is now being pushed for funds by the sale of shares, and it is hoped that work will be commenced in a month or two. Orders have been promised by the Los Angeles Board of School agents for supplies for the new schools under the \$34,000,000 bond issue, and a prominent distributing wholesaler has applied for the marketing of the output. The new blood and spirit of genuine co-operation have put new hope and life into the scheme. Circulars with full information will be sent out.

Mr. Sprouse has secured a job in Santa Ana, and will move there with his family. It is a beautiful location, thirteen miles from the Pacific ocean.

J. B. George, the Culver City barber with blindom, is expecting his wife and youngest girl from Portland.

Dava B. Smith is in Portland, and will be in Los Angeles in February.

Nellie daughter, of Thomas Bradshaw, of Santa Barbara, was married to Richard Ferguson December 6th. Congratulations and a long, happy life.

Cadwallader Washburn travels between San Diego and San Francisco in his Overland coupe. If you don't see him, you don't at all. He is there or not there, but he is at it busier than the California flea.

Lorena Bible takes a drink of water after reading this column. And I thought it would make her mouth water.

Joseph Schnupp, Box 635, Tulare, Cal., has lived near there since spring of 1906. He used to live in Daveport, Iowa. He has a home—a three-room house and two lots—three-fourth mile west of Tulare. Apricots, peaches, figs and garden sassa, grow well. Chickens furnish eggs and meat. A horse, buggy and harness, furnish auto transportation. He (J. S., not the horse) is seventy-five years old. He saw the work of the San Francisco earthquake—ground rising and falling, trees falling down, water forced out as a ditch over into a newly made ditch alongside.

G. E. Moesser is a beach comber when at Newport Beach. He gets free fuel for his vest pocket heating stove.

Mrs. Rothert and Mrs. Phelps each want a maid of all work who can cook. Here's your chance, girls, for an outing by the year in Southern California. Better write Mrs. Rothert first and come to a satisfactory arrangement before leaving your home, for work is scarce, and it is hell and worse for a woman without money or a home in Southern California. Then paradise is a real purgatory with heart aches, mental worry and bodily misery.

THEO. C. MULLER.

BALBOA, CAL.

St. Thomas Mission for the Deaf

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## Canadian Clippings.

### TORONTO TIDINGS

Mr. Angus A. McIntosh, of Oakville, was in the city, recently, and called to see Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Mason.

Mrs. George Axford, of Simcoe, was the guest of her son, Mr. Frank E. Harris, before and after the death of her daughter-in-law. She was of great comfort to her only son in his recent sad bereavement.

Mrs. Hartley Galloway and her children have gone to New York City, to join her husband, who holds a good position as a city architect. Mrs. Galloway, who was formerly Miss Emily Mason, of Rockhampton Avenue, is a niece of Mr. A. W. Mason.

Mr. Samuel Pugsley was recently out on a visit to relatives and friends in Cheapside and Selkirk, amid the scenes of his boyhood days.

After the New Year, it is the intention of the writer to give from time to time short accounts of incidents that happened at Belleville or elsewhere over 25 or 35 years ago.

Mr. Russell Marshall, who has been up in the Canadian West since last August and in Sault Ste. Marie, during the past month, returned to this city on December 12th, looking fine and fat. He is now trying to secure work here.

The regular winter social of our church will be held at the Bible College on December 30th. Mr. Harry E. Grooms is chairman of the social committee.

As usual there was keen rivalry at the Bridgen Bowling Club on December 13th, between four of the six teams. Mrs. Doyle's and Mr. McLean's teams were the winners that evening. Up in the club room it was election night, but on account of a meagre attendance, the elections were postponed. Current events made up the evening's doings when Messrs. Chas. Elliott, Colin McLean, John Shilton, John Steward and W. R. Watt spoke on the great doings the world over.

On December 10th, we had for brains food at our Epworth League, the greatness of King Solomon. His great wealth, his queen Sheba and his departure from God.

Mr. George Scott has come to the city from Riverview to spend the winter with his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. William W. Scott. He is bearing up very well under the weight of 81 winters.

Mr. Asa Forrester gave a good sermon at our church on December 14th, taking for his subject "I am but a Stranger Here," pointing out that we are all strangers to the doings in this world forsin leadeth us astray. Mrs. H. Mason pleasingly rendered, "He will take care of you."

Mr. William Wedderburn, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Wedderburn, who has been for several months up at Fairlight, Sask., returned home the other day to the great delight of his family. This was his second trip to the boundless prairies and he speaks glowingly of the future.

Mr. Louis Blutman, who ran foul of the law on December 13th, when he was apprehended for the theft of a pair of hair clippers, is not known among the deaf here. He is a recent arrival from Poland and does not know a word of English. As he only knew Polish Yiddish, he was remanded until an interpreter of this language can be found. We would be very glad to get him acquainted with our ways, if he would only turn up in our midst like many do when they land in this country.

### ANOTHER STAR CEASES TO SHINE.

One by one our dear ones disappear from our midst, never to appear here again, and whenever one takes final leave it is sure to cause widespread sorrow and loneliness. Now comes the painful duty to chronicle the sad passing away of another gifted one. As her countless friends everywhere well know, Mrs. Frank Harris had been for a long time in declining health. Yet in spite of her drawbacks, she had always borne her sufferings with true Christian fortitude and cheerfulness, a trait that runs in the family. Time and again she was in the throes of the "final stage," only to come through smiling again, as if saying, "O Death, where is thy Victory," but on December 7th, the "Great Reaper" determined to make a final effort to snatch her, and in spite of the best medical efforts and loving care the inevitable had its way. After lingering on a tender thread for some days, the last spark of life flickered out in the early hours of the morning of December 11th, and our loving Gracie was no more. Our Divine Lord, in whose hands are the Scales of Justice and the Olive Branch of Mercy had called her to His bosom. On that very morn, she had thrown off the yoke of suffering and torture, that is so prevalent in this discordant life, and entered herself with the mantle of eternal comfort and happiness. God had seen her suffering. He had heard her silent plea for relief, and he knew her worth, so early that morning He plucked another beautiful rose from this garden of humanity to bloom with greater brilliancy in eternity. Though she has gone

to a happier abode her demise has left a wide swath of sorrow and loneliness behind. On December 16th, 1880, Grace Louisa Muckle first saw the light of day, and was the youngest daughter of the late Mr. Charles Muckle, of Toronto, and Mrs. Mary Muckle, now of 116th St. Patrick Street.

She was, like her sister, Miss Lizzie Muckle, born deaf. At the early age of six she started for the halls of learning at Belleville and graduated in 1870. On July 11th, 1906, she was united in marriage to Mr. Frank Elwin Harris, of Simcoe. After living in Simcoe for a while they came to live in Toronto where they have been ever since. On August 11th, 1908, their only child, Florence May Harris, was born. The deceased was a great favorite with all who knew her on account of her sunny disposition, and this was vividly exemplified by the constant stream of humanity that wended the way to 114 St. Patrick Street, to take a last look at their departed friend. The funeral took place on December 13th, to St. James Cemetery, and was very largely attended, the Rev. Mr. Dykes conducting the service, with Mrs. J. R. Byrne interpreting. There was a great giving of floral wreaths, among which were one from Toronto Evangelical Church of the Deaf, the Toronto Deaf Catholic Fraternity and Toronto Division, No. 98, N. F. S. D.

Messrs. Charles E. Elliott, A. H. Jaffray and J. T. Shilton, and three cousins of the deceased, acted as pall bearers. About three years ago the late Mrs. Harris was seized with a leakage of the heart, and this eventually brought on kidney trouble and finally pneumonia, from which she died. Besides her husband and daughter, she leaves a loving mother, brother and sister, to mourn her loss, to whom we extend deepest sympathy.

We sorrow for the kindly face  
That we shall see no more  
And for the sweet and pleasant look  
In vain forevermore  
Her hand, we'll clasp in friendly grasp  
Nor meet her friendly smile,  
Which waked in us the friendly glow  
Of sympathy worth while.

### GENERAL GLEANINGS

We regret to say our old friend, Mr. Ephraim Brooks, of Brighton, who is now not only deaf but also totally blind, is in very straitened circumstances and in need of financial assistance. We hope he is helped over the bridge of poverty very soon. He is an ex-pupil of the Belleville School of 1870. His wife who left the same school in the nineties was formerly Miss Florence Chatten, of Colborne.

Mr. James Chambers, of Silver Hill, a renowned football player of his day at Belleville, was lately visiting in Simcoe.

Our young sport, Mr. James Green, of Chesley, has been invited to play on the Intermediate hockey team of that town for the season, and he is now "thinking it over."

Mr. Thomas Chantler, of Woodstock, was lately out on a visit to friends in Brantford.

The writer would like to inform his many side correspondents to kindly have their items reach him before Tuesday of each week, to be sent on to the JOURNAL the same evening.

### TORONTO TIDINGS

Our sincere wish is that the year 1925 will be a very happy and prosperous one to all.

Miss Ada James, of the teaching staff of the Belleville School, was in the city lately on her way to spend a few days with her parents in St. Thomas. We understand she was home again during the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Harry Mason was up in Nobleton with Mrs. David Hamby and Mrs. John Dean for a few days during Christmas.

Mr. Thomas Ross, of Lorne Park, was in the city for a couple of days lately looking up old friends. Tom

has the sympathy of all in the death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Benjamin Ross, who died on December 15th, aged 67 years.

The death of Amnon, Absalom's insinuations and his rebellion and Ziba's fall through the "Bottle of Wine," formed the basis for discussion at our Epworth League on December 17th. The League then adjourned until January 7th.

In the recent death of Mr. Edward Shaw, a well known Parkdalian has gone to a higher court in his 76th year. His son, the Rev. W. G. Shaw, married Miss Ella Mason, a niece of Mr. A. W. Mason.

Miss Margaret Rea spent Sunday, December 21st, visiting friends in Milton.

The Ladies' Aid of our pur Church held a successful and profitable meeting on December 15th, at the home Mrs. J. R. Byrne, when a lot of Christmas boxes for the poor and lonely were packed with Yuletide cheer and sent to many a forlorn soul.

Miss Margaret Golds spent the Yuletide holidays at her parental home in Kitchener.

Miss Isabel Sherritt, of Corbetton, who went down to the Belleville School to spend Christmas with her sister, Susie, spent a few days with relatives and friends in this city on her way home, and all were pleased to see her.

During the fierce wind storm a few weeks ago, that almost attained hurricane proportions, the tall chimney on the factory of the Clinton Glove Co. was blown over, necessitating considerable repairs and as a consequence, several of the employees were temporarily laid off. Mr. David Sours was one of them, and to "beat time" he and Mrs. Sours decided to come to this city on a visit to their son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Doyle, and their many friends are pleased to meet them again for they genial favorites. They arrived here on December 18th, and will remain till January 8th.

The Bridgen Club room was not only artistically decorated for the occasion on December 20th, but was packed with an unusual large crowd who gathered for the Christmas Giving entertainment and election of officers for the ensuing term.

After the regular bowling schedule was carried through, in which Fred Terrell's and William Watt's teams came out winners over Mrs. Frank Doyle's and Mr. Ewart Hall's teams respectively, all gathered above for the fun. The elections were first held. All the former members of the committee resigned, but chairman Elliott, in view of his previous good work, was asked to take charge of the reins for another term, and on assenting, Charlie was elected by acclamation. As for members of the committee, ten were nominated, though as many more declined to run, as they wished to infuse younger blood. Of the ten nominated the four who got the highest number of votes were to form the committee along with the chairman. Following were those in order who got the highest picking: Messrs. Frank E. Harris, William R. Watt, Charles McLaughlan and William H. Zlitt. It was decided to do away with the ladies' committee, but when such is needed it will be appointed. The room was a sea of merriment when the scores of presents were given out, and a general good old time had they.

Mr. Philip Fraser spoke on "Christmas" and why it was so called, and so observed at this time of the year, and its consequences at our Church on December 21st. Mrs. W. R. Watt rendered a Christmas hymn. The church was most beautifully decorated for the occasion.

Mr. Victor Reading, who works for Mr. Thomas A. Middleton, of Horning Mills, was down here to see his people and many friends, for a week during Christmas.

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